

BURKE COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS

AIRPORT COMMITTEE

October 18, 2021

The Airport Committee of the Burke County Board of Commissioners met on Monday October 18, 2021, at 4:00 p.m. in the Commissioner’s Training Room. The meeting was called to order by Commissioner Tommy Nix. Committee member Evans Martin, County Manager Merv Waldrop, Assistant County Manager Adam Flakes, along with Amanda Hill, Tim Fredlund of MaesAwyr were also present. Committee Chair Art Lively joined via Zoom, as well as other representatives from MaesAwyr and Jeannie Joyner, property owner.

Airport Consultant, Amanda Hill gave an update on the current projects. She noted that the Fuel System site prep is complete and should be functional the first week of December with the card readers installed mid-November. Ms. Hill suggested installation of security cameras in the fuel area.

The US Army Corps of Engineers possess all needed information for the wetlands project public notice issuance. A commitment from a mitigation bank with available credits will be sought. The goal is to have everything in place prior to Thanksgiving 2021.

Property acquisition from ATM Partners and the Joyner property were then discussed. An offer should be ready to submit to ATM Partners for 50 acres by week end. Conversation will need to be had regarding the removal of the remaining tree obstructions on the property. The Joyner parcel is under Phase II of soil testing per GDOT / FAA requirements. No negotiations can be made until Phase II testing is complete. Ms. Hill is to provide Ms. Jeannie Joyner with testing information.

The AWOS is currently on hold until the ATM property acquisition is finalized and should be able to move forward in the spring.

After that the committee reviewed the five-year Capital Improvements Plan. Commissioner Martin motioned to accept the CIP as written, only moving the Strategic Plan back to FY2023. Commissioner Nix seconded and motion passed 3-0.

Discussion was then held regarding maintenance issues. It was decided the Facility Maintenance department would handle this.

Ms. Hill is to research grant information from USDA regarding equipment dedicated for airport usage.

There being no further business the meeting was adjourned at 5:07 p.m.

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Q. U. “Art” Lively, Committee Chairman

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R. Tommy Nix, Commissioner

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Evans Martin, Commissioner

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